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Subject: Seems to me your missing the whole point here.

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Microsoft is all about taking over the market. That's been their strategy
from the start of the company.
They do it well. It's just about impossible to buy a computer today
without getting a Microsoft product preloaded on it.
Several of the PC manufacturers/builders have complained about it. They
get a cut rate on Microsoft products if they
only offer Microsoft products. If that doesn't stifle competition what
does? Microsoft never has had a better product
than anyone else, they've just had (and have) a better marketing team.
Microsoft's lock on gaming (directX protocol)
virtually insures that every home will have a computer running a Microsoft
operating system. OS/2 (a much better, more stable
PC platform both from the client and server standpoint), Linux (cute and a
viable system in it's own) and OS/x (apple's entry) don't
stand a chance in the home market as long as the directX standard is
Microsoft only. Browsers...forget the browsers, they're a
dime a dozen. People will use whatever's on the machine, if it bothers
them they'll download another one. But the directX standard..
there's a problem. All of the PC games that are worth buying and many
that aren't are written to that standard and will not run on any
other platform. Until directX is available on OS/2, Linux and OS/x
you'll have no competition for Microsoft.

The battle is almost over. Microsoft has so much market control unless
they are broken up the other companies don't stand a chance.
Let's quit just playing lip service to this situation. Microsoft is
nothing more than a technical terrorist holding the world at bay with
viruses and blue screens of death.

oh well. it's not like anyone is really going to read this anyway.